

A TALE OF ANTIQUITY.

A Vision of the Horrible Future Taken from the Past.

The primordial forest! Rank and luxuriant grew the vegetation that sprang into being under the radiant rays of a tropical sun. Tall, stately trees waved to and fro in an atmosphere of perpetual summer, and down through the shimmering vistas and leafy glades rose to view dense jungles of clinging plants that strove to mount to the blinding sunshine overhead by winding in tangled mazes about the trunks and branches of the forest monarchs.

Happy four footed denizens of the trackless wilderness leaped from bough to bough in the careless abandon and wild, unchecked freedom of nature's own children, chattering, with the flowing, unkempt locks of a modern virtuoso, their cheery, ceaseless, staccato raucous; and in the ecstatic warbling of the feathered songsters that fitted about in the topmost branches of the trees there was no melancholy premonition of any long, bewildering series of farewell concerts.

From the depths of a sombre avenue of impenetrable greenery, whose dark shadows invited the weary to repose, the stertorous breathing of a disturbed sleeper broke upon the pulseless air.

Then a voice rang out through the solitude:

"Oh, I have had such a horrible, frightful dream!"

It was the father of the family who spoke.

Securely embowered in the modest yet primitive habitation to which he was accustomed to repair when weary of society and its demands upon him, he had laid his tired head down to rest, and sleep had descended upon him.

"It was horrible," he repeated, with a shudder.

"What was it?" inquired his faithful companion soothingly.

"Yet it was only a dream!" he exclaimed, trying to shake off the gloomy impression it had made upon his excited sensibilities. "Only a dream—but how vivid!"

He passed his hand across his eyes, shook himself and said:

"Listen, I dreamed that countless eyes had rallied away. These grand old forests had vanished, and ugly rows of filthy brown and gray dwellings covered the land. Narrow passages called streets, paved with slippery granite blocks or bottomless with mud and slime, crossed each other at right angles. The dwellings were dark, gloomy, tall and a cloud of smoke hung over everything."

"Did anybody live in the dwellings?" inquired his spouse.

"Thousands—hundreds of thousands! They called it living. Cooped up in these boxlike structures was a multitude of the strangest looking creatures imaginable. Pale, emaciated, some with hair on their faces and some without, they trooped down the horrible streets in the morning and back in the evening. They walked upright, to be sure, and some of them carried sticks in their hands, but seemed to have no use for them. One-half of the population seemed to be two legged. These two legged creatures did not dress alike. Some of them wore high, shiny things on their heads, held burning things that smoked villainously in their mouths, had loose coverings about their bodies, wide, flapping garments, with creases up and down them on their legs, and black, glistening things on their feet that pinched and made them limp. Others of these two legged creatures were dressed exactly alike, and sometimes they would walk along like machines, two or four abreast, looking solemn and forbidding, while a few smaller ones in front pounded round things with little sticks and made a horrid noise. It was one of their ways of amusing themselves."

"How about the other half of the population?"

"They were their hair in front just like yours, my dear, with little shapely things on the backs of their heads, and garments that came down to the ground and scraped the streets. I could not see that there was any other way of cleaning the streets, but it seemed to me a poor way. The garments were always dirty at the bottom and the streets never got any cleaner. These creatures seemed to have two feet, the same as the other, but I was not sure. Their bodies were pinched at the waist, and when they walked along they appeared to be always in danger of breaking in two."

"Don't say anything more about them, Jack! It is too horrible! Who were these creatures?"

"I dreamed, my dear," he said, with a shudder, "they were our descendants!"

So saying, he wrapped his tail on the limb below, swung himself to the ground, and with a dismal wail he disappeared in the trackless jungle.—Chicago Tribune.

Paving the Way.



Young Gentleman (drops on his knees as the feet of a lady)—My dear Miss K—our respective fathers having come to terms on the money question, I now venture to inform you that I love you to distraction!—Gladys Witzblatt.

A Solitary Joker.

An Indianapolis society man played a mean trick during the sleighing season, and the young lady hadn't spoken to him since. They had been old friends for a long time, and it was natural that they should carelessly drive away from the madhouse crowd on Meridian street and explore the country roads. After they had gotten out about three miles away from anywhere, the gentleman started his companion by suddenly looking her in the eye and remarking:—

"My Nellie, we have been friends

for a long time, and I know you have perfect confidence in me. But here we are, far away from everybody, where no one could hear you if you should cry out!"

The frightened young woman was on the verge of springing from the sleigh, but she was even more astounded than frightened, and before she could gather her wits she continued:

"Now, Miss Nellie, I want to beg of you the privilege of one sweet-smoke! May I light a cigar?" And he never even smiled.—Indianapolis Journal.

As Gobblers Do.

The pulpit manners of clergymen are so exempt from frank public criticism that many a minister continues all his life in faults of delivery that he might have corrected had he been plainly told of them. In one such case a little girl was instrumental in curing a famous American preacher of an affliction of the tongue.

His habit was to pause at the end of each division of his discourse, look impressively upon the pews, take a breath so very long that it seemed to increase his size, and then go on with an air of the utmost importance.

One Sunday this good man paused after his "tenthly" for an unusually long time. Little Jane, who had been trying to keep awake, moved as though greatly relieved.

But the clergyman had not finished. He was about getting ready for another "hundred" when little Jane audibly whispered, "Oh, mamma, he's going to blow himself up again!"—Youth's Companion.

His Confederates.

A man had robbed a bank, but instead of running away he applied a part of his gains to securing the services of "eminent counsel." This he did with such good judgment that he secured an acquittal. When he was free to turn his attention to the next bank, and the lawyer (who had received his pay) was free to return to the Sunday school class he was accustomed to guide in the ways of virtue, they paused as if by mutual consent, and the eminent man said to his recent client:

"By the way, did you have any confederates in your recent enterprise?"

"Yes," said the robber, "I had two men in it with me."

"Who were they?" asked the lawyer.

"I," said the burglar, "you and another man."—Boston Transcript.

She Was Posted.

"Children are funny things," writes a correspondent. "I was hunting for the hammer not long since and was getting out of patience. After inquiring of the boys, who of course knew nothing about it, my little Rafe, four years old, looked up into my face and, beaming with a smile as bright and soft as heaven, said:

"Pa, I know where the hammer is."

"I patted her on the head and told her she was the smartest one of the whole lot, and then I asked her, 'Where is it, darling?' to which she replied:

"It's lost."—Man of the World.

His Unexpected Rise.

"I have a friend," said Foge to Bogs one day. "who is employed in a peculiar way. He is likely to get an unexpected raise at any time, and still he is not placed so as to appreciate it when he gets it."

"Strange, indeed," Bogs returned; "what on earth is he doing?"

"Working in a powder mill."—Arkansas Traveler.

Improving a Dog.

Lady—Why did you have your dog's tail cut off?

Boy—To make him more affectionate.

Lady—How! Did that do it?

Boy—Yes! He can wag all the time now without getting tired.—Good News.

An Important Difference.

To make it apparent to thousands who think themselves ill, that they are not affected by any disease, but that the system simply needs cleaning, is to bring comfort home to their hearts, as a positive condition is easily cured by using Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

Horrible Results of Bacilli.

To the Editor of the Herald.

Sir—Ignorance increases the tears and groans of man. Knowledge lightens the cares of life.

He who says that he is afflicted with nasal catarrh is afflicted with compound ignorance, i. e., he is ignorant of the subject, and ignorant of his ignorance.

The so-called nasal catarrh is a disease caused by billions of bacilli, and their ordure murders their victim, as I shall quickly prove, should not death occur from some other cause.

Bacilli present themselves in four forms. The first is a plain, dark, round mass; the second, an oval, with a dark point at each extremity; the third, an oblong disc, with dark points, as in the second; and, fourth, two dark points, united by a film and strikingly resembling a dumb-bell.

Thousands of bacilli might swim side by side through the eye of a small needle, and it would require 187,000 of them to weigh a single grain.

All the ordure from the bowels of these bacilli, except what the victim blows out of his nose, deludes into his throat, thus setting up the smaller bronchial tubes and often obstructing those of considerable size.

The moment air is shut off from a cluster of air cells, the capillaries of those cells become gorged with imperfectly oxygenized blood, and from that moment bacilli ordure has evolved asthma or tubercular consumption, the patient having no warning of his danger of death, beyond the presence of bacilli ordure which he hawks out at times.

Now, reader, if you are a victim of what is illogically termed nasal catarrh, come and have the bacilli removed, which has never been accomplished by any person except the writer.

How long does it take to remove from the nose the billions of bacilli? In all ordinary cases, not a second over twenty minutes. After the removal of these billions of bacilli, what is to be the result? The patient stops blowing, hawking, heaving and spitting bacilli ordure, which is proof that his nose, throat, bronchial tubes and lungs are no longer used as cesspools by bacilli.

There is no greater enjoyment of nature's trumpet and no greater safeguard against noxious things of all kinds, than a healthy nose.

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A WRITTEN GUARANTEE is given for every \$5.00 order received, to refund the money if a permanent cure is not effected within three months. Thousands of testimonials from old and young of both sexes, who have been permanently cured by the use of this French Cure. Circulars free. Mention name.

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"Poor baby!" Everybody sees the sad picture. No one but the physician appreciates it. He knows what dangers threaten thin children.

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The success of this Great Cough Cure is without a parallel in the history of medicine. All druggists are authorized to sell it on a positive guarantee, at least that no other cure can successfully stand. That it may be known, the Proprietors, at an enormous expense, are placing a Sample Bottle free into every home in the United States and Canada. If you have a Cough, Sore Throat, or Bronchitis, use it, for it will cure you. If your child has the Croup, or Whooping Cough, use it promptly, and relief is sure. If you dread that insidious disease Consumption, use it. Ask your Druggist for SHILOH'S CURE, Price 10 cts. per bottle, and \$1.00 per dozen. If your Lung are sore or Back lame, use Shiloh's Porous Plaster, Price 25 cts.

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A Defective Link Weakens a Strong Chain.

The female organization is a series of links, so to speak. Note the nervous irritability of one, the restlessness of another, the inability to sleep, and perhaps secret suffering. It means

that a link of a chain is weakened. Those ailments are promptly overcome by the use of *Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound*; it conquers all those weaknesses and ailments so prevalent among our women.

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REGISTRATION NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (March 18, 1892.)

To the Electors of the City of Grand Rapids, Take Notice—That the following elections of the respective wards and precincts thereof, of the city of Grand Rapids are respectively designated and appointed as the places for the meeting of the Board of Registration of the city of Grand Rapids, for the purpose of the registration of the qualified electors of the said city of Grand Rapids, on the annual charter election to be held in said city on the first Monday in April, A. D. 1892, to-wit: April 4, 1892.

First Ward, First Precinct—At No. 50 South Division street, in said city.

First Ward, Second Precinct—At No. 27 Grandville avenue, in said city.

First Ward, Third Precinct—At No. 161 Grandville avenue, in said city.

First Ward, Fourth Precinct—At No. 26 Grandville avenue, in said city.

Second Ward, First Precinct—At No. 111 Grandville avenue, in said city.

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Third Ward, First Precinct—At No. 44 1/2 East Division street, in said city.

Third Ward, Second Precinct—At No. 111 Grandville avenue, in said city.

Third Ward, Third Precinct—At No. 111 Grandville avenue, in said city.

Fourth Ward, First Precinct—At No. 230 East Division street, in said city.

Fourth Ward, Second Precinct—At No. 230 East Division street, in said city.

Fourth Ward, Third Precinct—At No. 230 East Division street, in said city.

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